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THE PRESIDENT'S DAILY BRIEF



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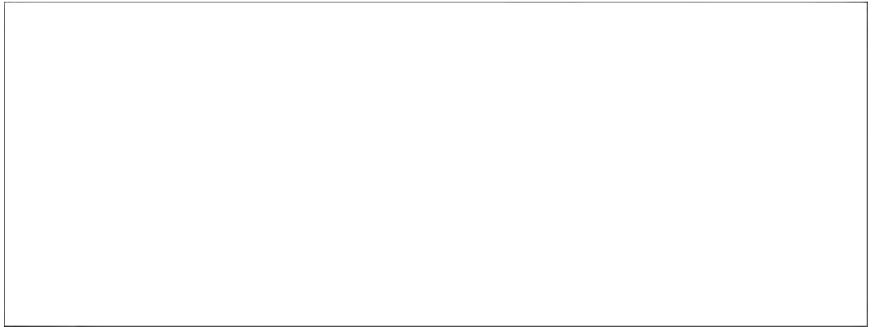
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1. West Germany

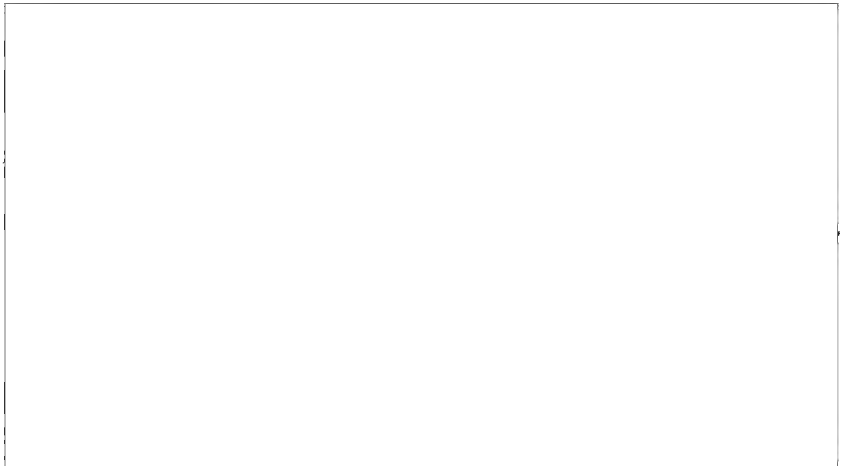


2. France

Paris is out to torpedo the US-supported proposal to give the World Bank a coordinating role in African development aid.

French economic officials have flatly stated that Paris sees no merit in the proposals. This attitude probably will not kill off preparatory discussions with other Common Market countries, but may ultimately cause them to shy away from effective support of the idea.

3. South Africa



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4. Nigeria

A very loose federation is the likely outcome of the constitutional talks under way this week in Lagos.

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5. North Vietnam

The key to North Vietnam's attitude toward the war is still Ho Chi Minh.

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6. Communist China

The mammoth Red Guard rally in Peking yesterday featured a call by Lin Piao for continued action by the guards against opponents in local party committees throughout the country. There was no hint of any let up but Chou En-lai urged the youthful militants to stay away from the farms and the factories.

The notes struck by Lin and Chou suggest concern in Peking over the disruptive effect of rampaging Red Guards on economic production. The present leadership seems to be trying to redirect their energies against the "main targets," its enemies among the party machine bureaucrats.

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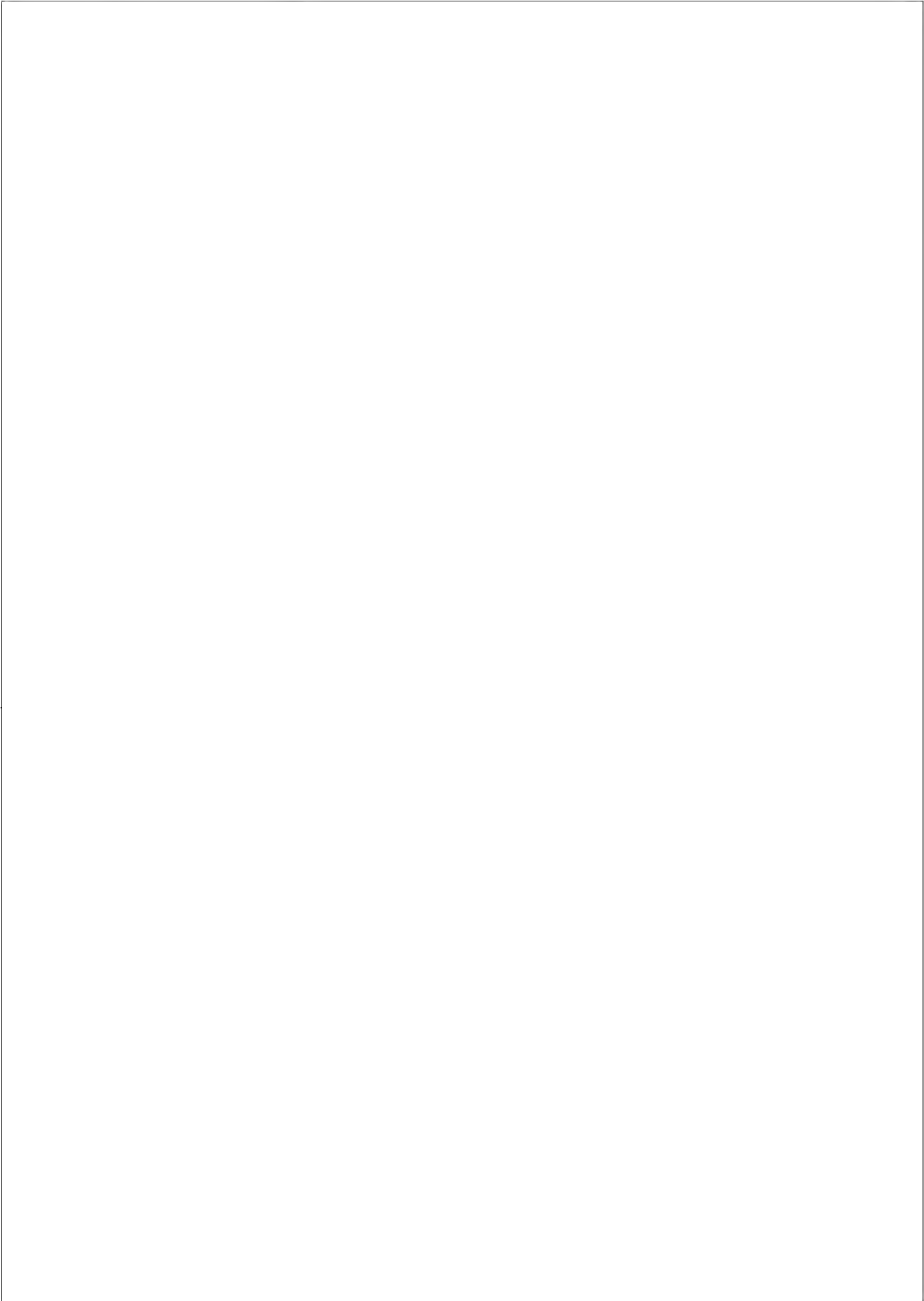
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